

PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q88078

Naoaki TAOAKA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/536,768

Group Art Unit: 1651

Confirmation No.: 2449

Examiner: Sandra E. SAUCIER

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For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING OPTICALLY ACTIVE 3-HYDROXYPROPIONIC
ESTER DERIVATIVE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
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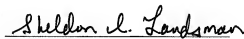
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month(s), extending the time for responding to the Office Action of September 25, 2007 to January 25, 2008.

The statutory fee of \$120.00 is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. The USPTO is also directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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